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PFX	Country	Date	Info	QSL Info
3D	Fiji	Feb 11 - Feb 16	By N7OU as 3D2OU and W7YAQ as 3D2NB; all bands mainly CW, some SSH and RTTY	H.C.
3V	Tunisia	Jan 8 - Jan 19	TS7C is be the call of a large expedition from AF-073	F4EGD dir \$ bureau
5H	Tanzania	Feb 3 - Feb 12	DL7DF will be on all bands and modes as 5H1DF from AF-032	
5X	Uganda	Jan 1 - May 31	5X4X from 40 to 10 meters, power stops at 20.00 Z	DF5GQ
6W	Senegal	Jan 16 - Jan 29	DL2RMC will be qrv also in the contest	DL1RTL
7X	Algeria	Jan 17 - Jan 18	ON6QR will sign 7X2AR for the HA contest	7X2ARA
8Q	Maldives	Jan 11 - Jan 27	G7COD as 8Q7AK	H.C.
9M2	W. Malaysia	Nov 17 - Feb 6	PA0RRS will be active as 9M2MRS from AS-015	H.C.
A3	Tonga	Feb 14 - Feb 21	CX3AN will be on during his holiday as A35HA	H.C.
C5	Gambia	Jan 9 - Feb 4	OZ8KR as C56KR	H.C.
C6	Bahamas	Jan 23 - Apr 1	W2AFC, N1EMC, NE1B (C6AWB) will operate during several contest in this period, with C6ANM	L0TW

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CE	Chile	Jan 28 - Feb 4	3 Sars DX Group will operate from SA-070 as XR5L	CE6AMN
CE9	Antartica	Jan 2009	A team of operators from CE2AA Radio Club will be on from the Base Naval Arturo Prat	
CU	Azores	Jan 19 - Jan 23	CU8W by CU8AS HB9CQL HB9CRV CW RTTY	CT1GFK dir & bur
CX	Uruguay	Jan 22 - Jan 26	Radio Grupo Sur members will be on from SA-030 as CV5A all bands and modes	CX2ABC
D4	Cape Verde	Feb 11 - Feb 22	YL2KL as D4C	IZ4DPV
FR	Reunion	Jan 13 - Jan 31	F5LGQ as T04IPA	
FR	Reunion	Feb 1 - Feb 13	OE3GEA will sign /FR all bands only CW	H.C. bur & dir
FT5W	Crozet	Dec 10 08 - Nov 30 09	F4DYW has delayed his activity and is on now as FT5W mainly on 40/20 and 15 meters	H.C. dir & bur
FT5Y	Antartica	Feb 15 - Mar 15	F5PFP will be active from several bases as FT5YJ	
GD	Isle of Man	Jan 23 - Jan 25	G3NKC, G4XUM and MD0CCE will be active as MD4K	G3NKC
H4	Solomon	Jan 10 - Apr 28	DL2GAC will be active as H44MS SSB focusing on low bands	H.C.
H40	Temotu	March	DL2GAC, DK9FN & DL2NUD will be probably active all bands and modes including EME	
HK0	S.Andres	Jan 24 - Jan 30	5K0CW will be on also during the contest	W5PF
HI	Dominican Rep	Jan 21 - Jan 27	EA3BT as HI9/EA3BT and EA3WL as HI9/EA3WL mainly SSB	
HS	Thailand	Jan 20 - Feb 12	DL1MJF CW and SSB as HS0ZGQ, may be also from AS-101	H.C.
J5	Guinea Bissau	Nov 15 - Mar 9	HA3AUI will sign J5AP mainly digital	H.C.
J7	Dominica	Jan 17 - Apr 1	SM0XBI will spend a long holiday and will operate during free time	
KH2	Guam	Jan 16 - Jan 19	JE2EHP as KH1P/KH2 all bands and modes	H.C. & LoTW
KP5	Desecheo	Feb 12 - Feb 26	15 operators will be on with 6 stations.	H.C.
OP	Antartica	Dec 26 - Feb 15	ON3PC mainly on Antarctic DX Net 40 20m	EB7DX
OR	Antartica	Feb 9 - Mar 10	ON3AX as OR3AX	ON5AX
OR	Antartica	Feb 9 - Mar 10	ON5AX as OR4AX	ON5AX
P2	Papua	Feb 7 - Feb 27	P29ZAD from OC-135	H.C. bur & dir

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P4	Aruba	Jan 13 - Jan 17	W2GC will be on as P40GC	H.C only Direct
P4	Aruba	Jan 12 - Jan 28	EA5GVH will sign P40PZ SSB and Digital modes	F6AJA
S2	Bangladesh	Jan 16 - Jan 22	4 S21 operators will operate from AS-127 for 6 days	F5OZF
T2	Tuvalu	Feb 17 - Mar 2	N7OU and W7YAQ will be on bands mainly CW . Calls to be fixed	H.C.
T8	Palalu	Jan 16 - Jan 18	JA6EGL,JA6UBY,JE6DND andJA6KYU will be active as T88SM, T88CP, T88HK and T88HS	H.C only Direct
TR	Gabon	Jan 1 - Jan 26	TR8CR by F8EN	F6AJA
TT	Chad	Jan 1 - Jan 30	F6CIS will sign TT8SK for a long period of time	F5OZF
TU	Ivory Coast	NOW - Feb end	F4EGS is signing /TU8 mainly low bands	
V3	Belize	Feb - Mar	K7HC will sign V31HC all bands CW & SSB	
V3	Belize	Jan 19 - Mar 3	DJ4KW and DK9GG as V31GW and V31YN/	
V4	St. Kitts	Feb 18 - Feb 24	K0EJ will be /V44	H.C.
V7	Marshall Isl.	Jan 5 - Jan 31	WD8CRT will sign V73NS all bands mainly CW	H.C.
V8	Brunei	Feb 11 - Feb 23	V8FHX will be aired by G4OHX	
VE	Canada	Jan 1 - Feb 28	VA stations will use the prefix CF VE stations will use the prefix CG VO stations will use the prefix CH VY stations will use the prefix CI	
VE	Canada	NOV	VA stations will use the prefix CJ VE stations will use the prefix CK VO stations will use the prefix CY VY stations will use the prefix CZ	H.C.
VP5	Turks & Caicos	Feb 12 - Feb 15	KX7YT and N1KEZ will sign /VP5 contest included	H.C. bur & LoTW
VP8	Falkland	Jan 31 - Feb 7	ON5NT will sign VP8DLQ during spare time (holiday style)	W2EN
VP8	Falkland	Jan 17 - Jan 31	YL team. Details will follow	K1CA
ZD8	Ascension	Jan 12 - Jan 27	G3ZVW as ZD8N 30-10 m all modes	H.C.
W	USA	Feb 12 - Feb 24	WA2USA will be /4 from NA-112	H.C. dir & bureau
XT	Burkina Faso	Jan 25 - Feb 8	F1IQH as XT2WC will operate mainly 20 meters	H.C.

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YN	Nicaragua	Feb 14 - Feb 22	AC8W, K8DD,KB8TXZ and N8LJ will be active also during the contest	
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FUTURE OPERATIONS --- OPERAZIONI FUTURE

PFX	Country	Date	Info	QSL Info
8Q	Maldives	Jun 1 - Jun 15	G0YJG will sign 8Q7CQ	G4DFI
9M0	Spratly	??? operation postponed	6 operators will be active with three stations on all bands/modes	M3SDE
C6	Bahamas	Mar 1 - Mar 7	W6DXO will be signing /C6 mainly on WARC bands	KF6JOQ
C9	Mozambique	Apr 8 - Apr 17	ON4AEO and group will sign C91FC	ON4CJK
FH	Mayotte	Feb 26 - Mar 5	G3SWH & G3RWL will sign /FW AF-027 80-10m, perhaps 160m mainly CW	G3SWH
FP	St. Pierre	Mar 4 - Mar 9	KV1J will be active /FP all bands and modes, including contest	
FR	Glorioso	??? ???	6 operators will try to be /FR/G dates not yet fixed	F5OGL
H40	Temotu	March	DL2GAC, DK9FN & DL2NUD will be probably active all bands and modes including EME	
HK0	S.Andres	Jun 19 - Jul 5	K7BV as 5J0M HF + 6 meters	W1JJ direct
J6	St. Lucia	Mar 1 - Mar 11	W5JON will be /J6 all bands	
JW	Swalabard	Apr 19 - Apr 25	F8DVD will be /JW CW & SSB	H.C. dir & bureau
KL	Alaska	Jul 29 - Jul 30	KL7RRC from NA-233	
KP2	Virgin Islands	Feb 19 - Feb 24	K3MD will be /KP2 contest included	H.C.
S2	Bangladesh	Mar 7 - Mar 12	6K5YPW DS2AGH DS2BGV HL3QP HL5FUA 6K2AVL with calls to be fixed on all bands/modes with 3 stations	HL5FUA
S7	Seychelles	Feb 22 - Mar 6	DL7JAN will be on all bands and modes	H.C. dir & bureau
SV9	Crete	Feb 24 - Mar 17	DJ7RJ will sign /SV9	H.C.
V3	Belize	Feb 21 - Feb 22	V31TP group will be in the contest	WC0W
V3	Belize	Jul 25 - Jul 26	W6WTG & N2OWL will be in the contest as V31UR	W6UR
VK9	Lor Howe	Mar 24 - Apr 3	The ODX group will be on as VK9LA	
VP2M	Montserrat	Feb 25 - Mar 7	W1USN W1SSR AA1M, callsigns to be	H.C.

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			fixed all bands and modes	
YJ	Vanatu	Mar 25 - Apr 1	VK4HAM will operate as YJ0AAC	H.C.
ZK1	S.Cook	Mar 26 - Apr 4	W7GJ and ZL1RS will be on 2 and 6 meters EME	
ZK2	Niue	May 16 - Jun 20	ZL1CT will be on all bands and modes as ZK2V	N3SL

CONTEST

mainly from ARRL Bulletin & WA7BNM

LZ Open Contest: 0000Z-0600Z, Jan 17

NCCC Sprint: 0230Z-0300Z, Jan 17

Hungarian DX Contest: 1200Z, Jan 17 to 1159Z, Jan 18

UK DX Contest, RTTY: 1200Z, Jan 17 to 1200Z, Jan 18

North American QSO Party, SSB: 1800Z, Jan 17 to 0600Z, Jan 18

Run for the Bacon QRP Contest: 0200Z-0400Z, Jan 19

NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint: 0130Z-0330Z, Jan 22

NCCC Sprint: 0230Z-0300Z, Jan 23

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CQ to Accept eQSL Confirmations for Award Credit

Hicksville, NY and Bedford, TX, January 13, 2009) - CQ magazine will accept contact confirmations made on the eQSL.cc electronic confirmation system for its operating awards effective immediately, CQ Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, and eQSL Founder and Webmaster Dave Morris, N5UP, announced today.

There will be certain limitations and procedural differences for different awards, at least to start. Only confirmations from "Authenticity Guaranteed" members of eQSL will be accepted, and in accordance with existing eQSL policy, a membership level of bronze or higher is required in order to participate in award programs via eQSL.

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"This is the first time that CQ has formally accepted anything other than traditional paper QSL cards for its awards," said Moseson. "We have been working with Dave Morris and his team for several months to assure that the integrity of our awards programs will be protected and to create mechanisms to make it easy for both award applicants and award managers to use eQSL credits toward our awards. All of our award managers have been involved in this process and support this action."

"We want to express our great appreciation to Dave and his team for their willingness to do whatever was necessary to make this agreement possible," Moseson added. "It has been a pleasure working with them and we look forward to a long-lasting relationship."

"We are pleased to be adding CQ to the top of our list of amateur organizations that accept electronic QSLs," said Morris. "CQ has some of the most highly sought-after awards, and we have been working behind the scenes for years to create credit submission mechanisms that would ensure the integrity of their programs without introducing any additional labor for the award managers. We believe the electronic QSL can drastically reduce costs, and the award application mechanisms we have developed will provide for more efficient processing at reduced cost for both the applicant and the award manager."

Applicants for the CQ DX and CQ DX Field Awards must print out their eQSLs and submit them along with their traditional QSLs to a CQ checkpoint or to CQ DX Awards Manager Billy Williams, N4UF. eQSL has an automated process in place for applicants for CQ's Worked All Zones, WPX and USA-Counties awards. N5UP explains how that will work for the applicant:

"The applicant goes to the My Awards screen. He clicks on the particular award he wants to apply for. This brings up a list of the credits our system 'thinks' he is entitled to. There are checkboxes that allow him to check which ones he wants to use, and we automatically pre-fill one credit per category so he doesn't have to do anything if he wants to take the defaults. At the bottom of the screen are two buttons: 'Submit to CQ' and 'Print Paper Application'."

The "submit" button will place all the selected QSOs into a file for the award manager to access, while the "print" button will generate a printed list to be submitted along with the traditional application. PLEASE NOTE that ALL applicants must send the award fee payment to the CQ Award Manager, regardless of how the application is submitted. Some CQ award managers are now accepting PayPal; see individual award web pages for details. All awards will continue to accept traditional QSLs as well as eQSLs. For the USA-Counties Award (USA-CA), applicants must note on their record books (or printouts) whether each county has been confirmed traditionally (with an "X" to the right of the entry) or electronically (with an "E" next to the entry).

For more information on eQSL, visit:

<http://www.eQSL.cc>

For more information on CQ awards, visit the awards page on the CQ website at

<http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/>

Please note that the award rules posted on the website have not yet been updated to reflect the acceptance of eQSLs. This will be done as soon as possible, but the policy takes effect immediately.

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